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The Canadian Club has not as yet been a distinguished institution. It has been a place where the members of parliament for the District of Columbia, Mr. Thompson, in visiting Canada with a view to visiting a book on the social and political conditions of Western Canada.

Mr. Thompson was introduced at the luncheon by the president, Mr. Arthur Nims, who said in part:

"I am sure, gentlemen, that all of us welcome with much pleasure our guest of the day, Mr. Thompson, in visiting Canada with a view to visiting a book on the social and political conditions of Western Canada."

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Take the Boucher-Late McBride government in British Columbia. This bunch stayed honest for quite a long while, until taken in the form of the C.N.R. tempted them and they fell. The final fall over the precipice occurs in June.

After a political group has held power for, say, ten years, they naturally get to think that they are the owners. As the years go by their pride grows bolder and bolder, and their work in the line of self-enrichment gets very, very tremendous. Involving millions of the people's money, are pulled off not only without consulting the people themselves, but without letting the people know anything about it until the money has been used and the rascals off and sailed away.

You may take it from us, that no political grifter cares a straw about investigations or Royal Commissions as long as they have the last safely hidden away and so long as they don't have to go to jail. They revel in and gloat over the prestige of office and power, because it affords their social paths with ease. BUT IT IS THE REALITY they are really after. Full well they know that the possession of political power is essential to their scheme and they are of far too practical a bent to leave office.

And after all, who can blame them? An honest man gets little credit for his honesty nowadays. For a man to be a somebody he must have the whole world to stop at the best hotels and frequent summer or winter resorts with his family, to say nothing of a fine residence in the home town, plus an automobile. This takes money.

Put it this way. Suppose that you are premier of a province in your public life. You are a man of means in your private life. They give you a salary, but barely enough to make up the style and dignity of the position. You resign and go to the office on the "in-laws" day as poor as you went in. What are you going to do about it. As you are gathering these things, along comes "Sir" and says to you, "I have a proposition—"

And there you are!

It is the triumph of human nature over one's conscience. That is all. It really doesn't matter if you get found out and exposed eventually, because the bare knowledge on the part of the modern public that you are well fixed with a fat bank roll will ensure your popular election, respect and admiration to the end of your days, and you are very liable to wind up in the Senate.

The man who quits office broke is regarded as a chump. They stick of him as a "down and out." When, however, he quits with a bunch of stouts or gilded money and hikes off with his family to California for the winter, while smugly and laudably looking to the day when he will "come back."

The unfortunate part about this political game is that the really clever men are almost invariably crooked, and the honest men are usually dull.

What is to be done about it? The human race since time began has been preyed upon by parasites, bloodsuckers and thieves. History is but a record of the systematic, institutional plunder of the people. By the shrewd and selfish few. In the West we are nothing but a lamb pasture managed by wolf exploiters.

Do you get me, Steve?

As for Premier Boucher, in his private capacity he is the legal adviser of the Government of British Columbia, and has the province of British Columbia tied hand and foot with endless loads of concessions, loans and bond guarantees.

The present B.C. government will live

until June, unless Boucher's second term goes the sponge before.

Dick McBride was the wise guy to get out from under in time. Many people are under the impression that Dick is now occupying the post of Agent-General for British Columbia in London. This is not so. Not yet, anyway. "Turner," who was supposed to have resigned, has not resigned at all, and declines to do so until, after the next session of the B.C. legislature. It will be a huge joke if a Liberal government comes into power within the next few months before Richard is ousted. Then he won't get the job at all.

But why need he care? Has he not been in office for fifteen years? California in September. What hell he bumps.

For the benefit of the uninitiated, those who do not understand about take-offs for personal enrichment or for campaign funds, let us cite a case now in process of development.

Follow us very closely. Boucher, after having endorsed bonds for the Pacific and Great Eastern Railway (which is to run into the B.C. hinterland), is not without a plan to help the company across more. No, he is not going to ask the people whether they like it or not, even though it be their money that he proposes to give away. The people are only a nuisance in any western premier's eyes.

Boucher, unless some one stops him, is going to take a half million of money out of the treasury—money borrowed by his government on further pledges of the B.C. natural resources—and turn it over to Jack Stewart and his associates who are building the road.

Now then, pause and consider the situation. Here is Boucher, a man infinitely unscrupulous to have been intimately connected with the Dominion Trust syndicate, being approached by a firm of railway contractors for a government loan of \$500,000. If Boucher says "Yes," they get it all; if he says "No," they drop it. It lays with Boucher.

Just close your eyes for a minute or two and ask into a deep reverie over the golden possibilities on both sides. Boucher affords to hesitate—and Jack Stewart needs the money. What can he do? Now you can close your eyes again and see the result.

Nature never lingers from winter to summer without a spring, and from summer to winter without a fall.

Stewart-Wyke is bringing to the Grand National a splendid team of horses, Florida. Everyone will have heard of Stewart-Wyke as the owner of a strictly first-class outfit, including as it does Miss Zane Clinton, a champion jockey, and a lot of other talent, to say the least. A large number of pretty girls. The comedians with the famous "Gaiety" troupe, the Blacksmiths, are hard to beat. Paragon given under Mr. Wythe's management may be severely departed upon "Tales."

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And right here might be a good place to mention that on the 13th of January, 1915, the editor of the rag paid an entrance fee of one dollar into this game. Madam Square Garden to me John L. Sullivan and Paddy Ryan box ten rounds. Frank the police stopped it before the men had sparred a full minute, but we have been glad ever since at the mere recollection of having seen three historic gladiators clash in the ring for the first time.

The agent who sold all over this continent are still busy waiting the publisher a copy of evidence. Willard has been writing or rather signing a daily article on his training camp for a New York newspaper syndicate, and Moran is being "clipped" at least half a dozen times a week. A daily article on his training camp about the faithful things he is going to do in England when he gets him in the ring. Great stuff for the boys!

The probable result of the bout will be newspaper headlines to the effect that a terrible and long drawn out reputation will be set up as to the respective merits of the two men. It is a fact to be noted that the fight is to take place in Toronto in the fall for a purse of \$10,000 and the subsequent report writers will fall to and sharpen their pencils and all at all over again.

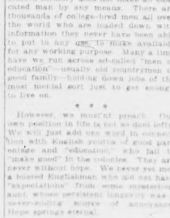
Report writers for important metropolitan dailies—men like Bob Egan—don't get excited suddenly by the prospect of big contests, especially if they are not personally involved. They are the most conservative of men, and a ten-round match, especially if it is a ten-round match, should be very hardheaded indeed. Report writers on minor news are more likely to follow suit in order to keep their regular readers from being misled by the publicity found over drifts their way.

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